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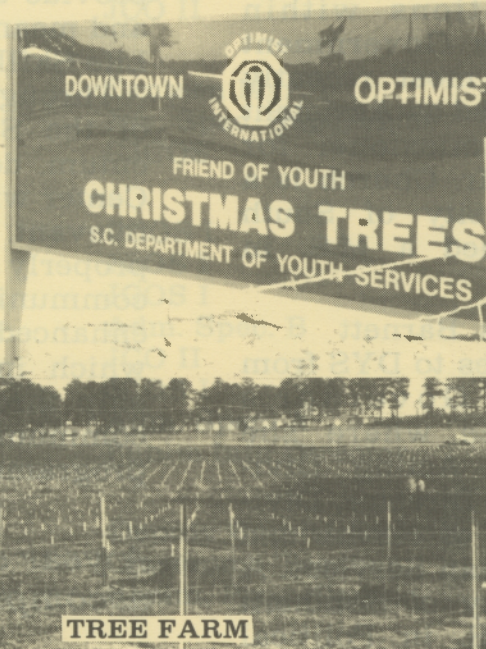
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1986 in Review: STATE DOCUMENTS
a year of change, accomplishment, growth and dedication...

**MARINE
INSTITUTE**



TREE FARM



RESTITUTION



Columbia's Valley Park "Double Dutch" force. 1986 World Champions



Animal Protection League Shelter



**Stacey Foster
Outstanding Female Counselor
Camp Paupi Win**

To those who have contributed, we
express our grateful acknowledgement...
To those who have been honored,
we express our best wishes...



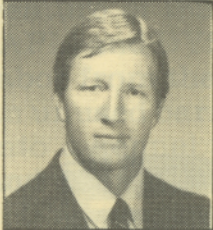
VOLUNTEERISM

**Christmas Spirit:
Alston Wilkes Christmas Party**

A year of change...

Staff Changes

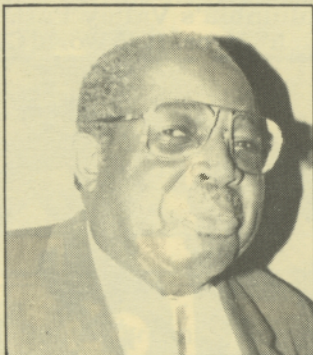
Nic Church has been named Deputy Commissioner and Mary Barnett has been appointed Executive Assistant to the Commissioner.



Mr. Church has held a number of positions within State Government and most recently served as Assistant Commissioner for administration of DYS. Mr. Church is a graduate of the University of South Carolina where he earned a M.S. in Economics.



Ms. Barnett comes to DYS from the Governor's office where she was Acting Division Director, Division of Health and Human Services. A graduate of the University of Southern Mississippi with an M.S. in Political Science, she has more than eleven years in planning, budgeting, and administration of local, state and federal programs within the state of South Carolina.



Board Chairman Alonzo W. Holman, Pastor of Emanuel AME Church in Charleston, has been elected Chairman of the State Board of Youth Services for 1986-87. With an extensive history in juvenile justice services, Reverend Holman was appointed to the Youth Services Board in 1981.

St. Luke's Center To Teach Life Skills

Research indicates that the difference between delinquent and nondelinquent youth is frequently in their respective level of life skills; social, learning and working levels. The Life Skills Program offered through the St. Luke Center will provide area delinquent youth intensive and meaningful training to enhance their Life Skill levels.

Through training and education as part of the Skill Streaming learning curriculum, delinquent youth at the St. Luke Center will have the opportunity to learn relevant, meaningful skills to function properly as contributing members of their community. Their living skills will be enhanced through a developed curriculum which includes emphasis upon citizenship through law related education and community service and work restitution programs.

A year of pride in our accomplishments...

Alston Wilkes Society Names DYS Youth Worker Of The Year



Commissioner Davis presents DYS Youth Worker of the Year Award at the Alston Wilkes Society Annual Meeting.

Eartha Moyer, Juvenile Correctional Officer Supervisor II, Zeta Unit, has been named the recipient of the Third Annual Judge James W. Sparks Award.

An advocate for children, Ms. Moyer was chosen for her dedication, concern and understanding that has served as a model for her peers and clients. Ms. Moyer began

her career with DYS in 1972 as a Youth Counselor I, assigned to the Institutional Programs Division, Willow Lane Campus.

Exemplary Juvenile Restitution Programs In South Carolina

The Department of Youth Services (DYS) and the Juvenile Restitution Programs, Inc. (JRP) in Charleston were jointly selected again this year as one of five national model juvenile restitution programs to serve as a host site for training and technical assistance. This selection was made by the Restitution Education, Specialized Training, and Technical Assistance (RESTTA) Program developed by the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention, U.S. Department of Justice.

DYS and JRP are conducting one additional training session April 9-10 in Charleston at Charlestown Landing. This training will provide practical information for juvenile justice practitioners across the country to assist them in implementing and improving their restitution programs.

For information call: Rhonda Barnes 734-1199.

A year of growth...

Puppet Show Focus On Drugs

Jo Conner, Social Worker IV, John G. Richards Campus, has orchestrated a new activity: Puppet Theater. With the assistance of Reverend Chong, JCO staff—especially JCO Pricilla York—and Anne Penn, volunteer, the idea of puppetry developed from rehearsal to production.

Written as well as performed by Dorm 2 clients, the first puppet show was given on November 24 for the C-Stop clients. Other performances included R&E Center, and Beta Dorm, Willow Lane Campus.

The puppet show focused on drugs and related problems with clients and their families.

DYS Receives Explorer Presidents' Association Awards

DYS was the 1986 recipient of the William H. Spurgeous Award. This award is given each year to an agency, business, or individual to recognize outstanding contributions to America's Youth through the Explorer Program.

In addition, the 1986 POST OF THE YEAR AWARD was presented to POST 771, DYS' John G. Richards School. Under the guidance of Bezzles Giles "these Explorers kept busy providing First Aid Service at the USC football games in the fall, surviving the wilderness on camping trips, learning CPR, and participating in all of the Council activities. They served their school by painting areas in need, assisting in a Christmas Tree Farm, and working with the Marine Corps on the Toys for Tots Campaign."

Also recognized for their participation was Post 520, DYS' Willow Lane School, named third runner-up for Post of the Year. These awards are given to the Post that has earned the most hours through Community Service projects, Club activities, and participation in Council-sponsored activities.

Recipients of the Explorer Leader Training Award were: Advisors from Willow Lane School, Cindy Williams, JCO; Velvet Fitzgerald, JCO; Thompson Braddy, JCO; and advisor from John G. Richards School, Bezzle Giles, activity therapist.

DYS supports the Exploring Division of the Boy Scouts of America through its Scouting Program which currently includes three High Adventure Explorers Posts, a High School Career Awareness Program, a Scout Troup for younger clients, and a Varsity Scout Team.

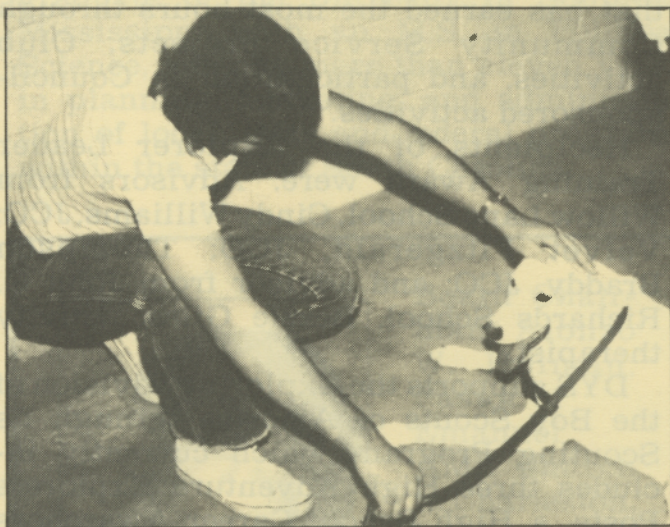
"It is one of the most beautiful compensations of this life that no man can sincerely try to help another without helping himself."

Ralph Waldo Emerson

Pet Therapy Implemented

Under the direction of Anne Dreher Brune, Social Worker IV, Dorm V, Campus III, juvenile offenders will be responsible for caring for abused, abandoned animals in this innovative new program. Implementation of the Pet Therapy Program has been possible through a joint venture of the Animal Protection League (APL) and DYS. Through the use of inmate labor from the Department of Corrections an unused barn at DYS has been renovated into a kennel that will house the animals and administrative offices of the APL.

DYS youth participating in the program will face a combination of therapeutic, educational and vocational training opportunities. Through their active role in the care-taking of the shelter animals, juvenile offenders will gain specific knowledge, training and experience in a field which offers them realistic opportunities for gainful employment. Therapeutically, the program offers these youth the opportunity to develop self esteem through their work and responsibilities in caring for needy animals.



A year of dedication...

Foster Parents Honored

DYS sponsored a foster parent training and appreciation luncheon in December for Region V foster parents and community directors. The theme for the occasion was "Foster Parenting is not a Lifetime Commitment to a Child, but a Commitment to be Meaningful during a Child's Lifetime." Foster parents received certificates of appreciation for the support and service provided during 1986.

In September, Region I hosted a reception for Region I Foster Parents at the Sheraton Palmetto in Greenville.

Foster parents play a vital role in the lives of the children DYS serve who are in need of alternative placement.

Volunteer of the Month Award Recipients

For the Midlands Area, July through November, 1986 award recipients were: Finn Bradley, Charles Holden, Bill Walborn, Mary and Bob Steinmeyer, and Glenn Jeffcoat.

CAMP PAUPI WIN continued its success through the leadership and dedication of DYS staff and volunteers who raised enough donations in cash and goods to fund this annual event.

Joe Schroeder (Oneita Knitting Mills-Andrews, SC) received the Outstanding Community Award: 5 years of Camp T-shirts!

Tommie Oglesby was selected for the Outstanding Service Award: Camp Director for 3 years!

Stacy Foster (Institutional Programs) was named Outstanding Female Counselor; **Frank Lee** (Aiken) was named Outstanding Male Counselor!

Hall Reeves (Spartanburg) and **George Gardner** (Rock Hill) received the Director's Award for Outstanding Counselor Team!

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Real People

James Bookhart and Bezzles Giles Activity Therapists, JGR, were instrumental in bringing together the Athletic Department of Allen University and a DYS client who was offered a full athletic scholarship to Allen University.

Pearce Thomson, Dir. of Physical Plant Section, was elected Chairman of the SC Association of State Planning and Construction Officials (ASPACO) for FY 1986-1987.

Jim Harrison, Community Specialist II, was elected to the Executive Board of the Community Health Education Council (CHEC) at Self Memorial Hospital.

Henry Watts and Lynn Jones recently addressed the newly formed Parents United Support Group in Greenwood to provide information about the local services of DYS.

Frank Furtick, Administrative Services, was appointed to Command Sergeant Major of the 251st Rear Area Operation Center. Mr. Furtick has been with state government for 29 years.

Ellen Lever, Training Specialist II, was awarded the American Red Cross Volunteer of the Year Award for the Central Chapter (South Carolina).

EXPECTING!: **Karen and Dr. Jarrell Smith**, Assistant Commissioner for Treatment.

Marcia Medway, Internal Auditor, is leaving DYS following nine years with the agency to become Audit Director for Midlands Tech.

Kitty Jeffcoat, nine year old daughter of **Janice Jeffcoat** (Planning & Information), crowned Little Miss Sloan's School for 1986-87.

Sidelines

Academics

Students Achieve Record Number of GEDS

The students of the Department of Youth Services GED programs achieved a record 72 GEDS in 1986. The number has grown steadily in the past five years.

Did you know?

The South Carolina DYS Dairy Herd has been ranked in the top dairy herds in South Carolina Records as completed and published by Clemson University. For example: In September 1985, our dairy herd ranked 9th in milk production per cow, 19th in fat content in the milk, and 6th in protein content in the milk.

Under the direction of Cecil Meetze and his staff, the farming operations provide all the milk for our four major institutions, averaging over 7,000 gallons a month.

Old Families New Families No Families

A regional training conference for youth serving agencies

March 17-20, 1987

Radisson Francis Marion Hotel
Charleston, S.C.

The conference is divided into three distinct tracks: clinical, direct service and policy. Both the clinical and direct service tracks are designed for staff who are in contact with youth and families on a daily basis. The policy track is an invitational track for policy makers of public and private agencies, representatives from public and private funding agencies, legislators and business representatives who are involved in or are interested in developing youth and family policies.

For more information on the conference, contact:

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DYS PROMOTIONS

July - December, 1986

July

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Annie Samuel

JCO II

JCOS I

Birchwood

Willow Lane

August

Pamela Wiltshire

Wanda Howell

Dennis Baker

SW IV

JCO II

JCO II

Willow Lane

Willow Lane

John G. Richards

September

Robert Jackson

Allen Crawford

Henry Coleman

Canteen Mgr. I

Juv. Spec. Supervisor

CJCOS

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October

Dolen Hamon

Michael Bingham

Samuel Jackson

Nancy Harlin

Michael Hartley

Joseph Smith

Linda Brewer

Carolyn Wages

JCOS I

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JCOS I

Adm. Spec. B

JCO II

JCOS I

Adm. Spec. A

Public Info Director

Willow Lane

John G. Richards

R & E

Lexington

Willow Lane

Birchwood

Sumter

Central Office

November

Nic Church

Jane Valenta

Lois Jenkins

Deputy Commissioner

Classroom Teacher

Comm. Prog. Coord.

Central Office

Birchwood

St. Luke

December

James Reeves

Joseph Rice

JCO II

Comm Spec. I

Birchwood

St. Lukes

Statistical Information

The Statistical Report for FY '86 is available upon request. This report summarizes by county statistical information on the client population in both the community and institutional program areas. The information was generated through DYS' Management Information System (MIS), an on-line system designed to track clients through all possible points of interface within the continuum of juvenile justice services.

Population Statistics 1986

Community Programs:

Referrals to Intake 15836
Average probation caseload 2681
Average aftercare caseload 406

Support Services:

Interstate Compact 576
Residential Care 890
Placement Services 1037

Institutional Programs:

Admissions, R & E 1633
Admissions, residential campuses 799
Average daily population 600